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For: REFRIGERATOR COMPRISING ALARMING DEVICE FOR GIVING ALARMING  
SIGNAL WARNING AGAINST REFRIGERANT LEAK

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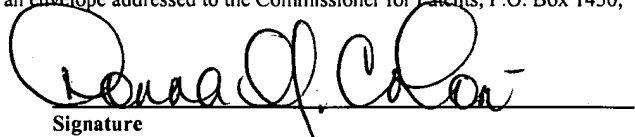
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